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The following deaths were announced :—Col. J. D. Graham, U. S. A., Dec. 29, 1865, and Hon. Henry Winter Davis, Dec. 30, 1865, Correspondents, and Adolphus L. Heermann, M. D., Member, Sept. 2, 1865.

January 9th.

The President, DR. HAYS, in the Chair.

Twenty-one members present.

Dr. Slack directed the attention of the members to some interesting specimens of fossils, and chalk of the cretaceous period, from Smoky Hill River, Colorado Territory, presented this evening by Mr. D. C. Collier.

January 16th.

MR. VAUX, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Twenty-one members present.

January 23d.

MR. VAUX, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Seventeen members present.

The following deaths were announced :—Mr. Robt. Pearsall, Member, January 25, 1866 ; and Dr. John L. Riddell of New Orleans, and Dr. John L. Lindley, of London, Correspondents.

January 30th.

MR. VAUX, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Thirty members present.

A letter to the President was read, as follows :

PHILADELPHIA, *January 19th*, 1866.

The President of the Academy of Natural }
Sciences of Philadelphia. }

SIR,—I am prepared to pay a legacy of ten thousand dollars, (less U. S. tax) left to the above Institution by the will of my late brother, Thomas B. Wilson, deceased, and have enclosed herewith a release, to be signed and acknowledged, &c., before a Commissioner of the State of Delaware ; when executed, please advise me where and when we can meet to close the transaction.

Yours, respectfully,

RATHMELL WILSON, *Exc'r.*,
of THOMAS B. WILSON, *Dec'd.*

Address 919 Clinton street.

The death was announced of Mr. George Ord, Jan. 23, 1866, formerly President of the Academy.

The following gentlemen were elected members of the Academy :
Mr. Edwin L. Reakirt, Mr. Robert Frazer, Mr. Jas. H. B. Bland,
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